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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ATU CONSIDERATION OF EXEMPTING

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FROM BOYCOTT

1. IN RECENT SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH KUWAITI AND JORDANIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS, REPRESENTATIVE OF U.S. FIRM IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS FIELD HAS BEEN TOLD BY RESPECTIVE OFFICIALS A) THAT ARAB BOYCOTT CONFERENCE HELD IN MAY 1976 TOOK DECISION TO INVITE ARAB TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION (ATU) TO CONSIDER EXEMPTING TELECOMMUNICATIONS AREA FROM APPLICATION OF BOYCOTT RESTRICTIONS AND B) THAT ISSUE WILL BE TAKEN UP AT ATU MEETING IN EARLY NOVEMBER.

2. WE UNDERSTAND NEXT ATU MEETING (OF DIRECTORS GENERAL) WILL BE HELD IN CAIRO NOVEMBER 11-24.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE REPORTING BY POSTS OF ANY INFORMATION WHICH BEARS ON SUBSTANCE OF PARA 1 REPORTS. EXCEPT FOR JIDDA, WE PREFER THAT POSTS NOT MAKE APPROACHES TO HOST GOVERNMENTS AT THIS TIME.  
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